

# The Miner.

## THE LAPPS.

Of the 150,000 inhabitants of Lapland, only about 15,000 or 20,000 are Lapps in their own language. Sámi or Sami, who form a subdivision of the Finnic race. They were originally inhabitants of Finland, but were gradually pushed by the Finns further north and west to their present territory. According as they are fishermen or reindeer herdsman, they are distinguished as "sea Lapps" and "mountain Lapps," and either occupy settled habitations or lead a nomadic life. They are extremely small in stature, and their hair is black and straight, presenting a great contrast to the tall and blond Norwegians and Swedes. Their skin is yellow, the forehead broad, the head poised on a short and rounded neck, the nose well formed, the cheekbones protruding, the chin pointed, the cheeks hollow, and the lips straight and thin. They are agile, but quickly exhausted by labor, rather from bodily weakness than laziness. They dress in furs, with trowsers and shoes of reindeer-skin. They protect the head by means of a sort of cow; but the Russian Lapps generally wear fur caps with ear covers. The dwellings of the mountain Lapps are small tents, consisting of a skeleton of bent sticks, covered with a coarse cloth. In the middle is a hole which serves as a fire for the fire-place underneath. The sea Lapps have better habitations, generally consisting of wooden huts with several apartments. They live exclusively on animal food, bread, which they obtain from Russian tradesmen, in considered a delicacy. Polygamy, though not prohibited by custom, is very rare on account of the high price which has to be paid for women. The daughter of a rich man costs sometimes one hundred reindeer, while a poor girl is seldom sold for less than twenty. The price is considered as a repayment of the expenses incurred in bringing up a daughter, and also as a remuneration to the father for losing her services. The Lapps have been converted to Christianity, and belong to the Lutheran Church of Norway and Sweden, and to the Greek Church in Russia.—Appleton's American Cyclopaedia, revised edition, article "Lapp."

The Superintendent's Report of the Consolidated Virginia Mining Company.

"The fact that the Consolidated Virginia is by far the most profitable mine in the world—counting its dividends by the million each month—and producing its ore worth hundreds of dollars per ton, in amounts which equal the output of a first-class colliery, gives every official statement concerning it great interest. We therefore condense the following items from the annual report of the Superintendent, Mr. James G. Fair:

Production of ore during the year 1875—169,907 tons.

One reduced during the year—169,094 tons.

Yield in bullion—\$16,731,653.43.

Average yield per ton—\$98.

Ore in one house and in mills—2,988 tons.

Valued by assay at—\$478,090.

This one has been taken from the 1,300, 1,300, 1,400 and 1,500-foot levels, including a small quantity which has been gathered in the explorations which have been made on the 1,500-foot level.

There is a large reserve of ore in all the levels of the mine which have been opened. In extracting the ore, instead of trying to show an extraordinary yield by the working of the higher grade alone, it has been my constant purpose to so unite the higher and lower grades of ore as to make the average yield conform to an average standard value. And this I have done, believing such a course to be the best interest of the company.

**NEW PATENTS.**—Through Dewey & Co., Patent Agents, S. F., we receive the following advance list of U. S. Patents, granted to Pacific Coast inventors, viz.: H. Adams, S. P., overall; O. T. Davis, Brighton, Cal., windmill; C. Ladd, S. F., converting breech loading rifles into muzzle loaders; F. Landmark, S. F., zither; A. B. Paul, S. F., trap for amalgamating pans and settlers; J. Unna, S. F., feather duster supporter; L. F. A. Legouze, Wheatland, propelling canal boats; D. Kichey, Napa, Cal., pavement; T. H. Babbe, Antioch, Cal., screw propellers; W. K. Dietrich, S. F., meat curing apparatus; A. M. Loryea, S. F., chemical hot air or vapor baths; Whittier, Fuller & Co., S. F., trademark, lard oil.

GOV. SAPPORN has appointed A. J. Finlay to be Territorial Penitentiary commissioner vice J. M. Renaldo, resigned.

## SUMMONS.

In the District Court, Third Judicial District, Yavapai County.

JESSE JACKSON and ROBERT JACKSON, partners under the firm name and style of Jackson & Brother, Pitts, attorneys.

Moses LOVLOY, defendant.

Action brought in the District Court of the third judicial district in and for the county of Yavapai in the Territory of Arizona.

The Territory of Arizona sends greeting to Moses Lovloy, defendant.

You are hereby notified that you do not within thirty days from the service of this notice, pay to the undersigned at Colorado, Mohave county, A. T., your proportional part of the expenses incurred on said mine or location, as required by the Congressional law approved May 10, 1872, or in case of default will claim a deficiency in aid mine.

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